



AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM

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PRESIDENT

The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Speaker Hastert:

I would first like to thank you for your leadership in promoting bilateral free trade agreements between the United States and a host of other nations, and the larger goal of a tariff-free world. It is with this leadership in mind that I urge you to support swift Congressional approval of the U.S.-Oman Free Trade Agreement, recently approved by the U.S. Senate. **ATR may rate a vote for the U.S.-Oman free trade agreement as a vote for taxpayers.**

As you are aware, free trade will be of enormous benefit to the economies of both nations, providing jobs and new markets for U.S. and Omani products, and offering consumers lower prices and more choices. Furthermore, a U.S.-Oman Free Trade Agreement will strengthen an already close relationship with a reliable ally of the United States.

Since tariffs and trade barriers amount to government-imposed costs on both companies and consumers, eliminating these barriers in a free trade agreement amounts to a significant tax cut for both countries. Therefore, I heartily endorse an aggressive effort to negotiate and sign both bilateral and regional free trade agreements, so that we may one day live in a world without trade barriers.

I strongly urge you to support the U.S.-Oman Free Trade Agreement, and all future FTAs. **ATR may rate a vote for the U.S.-Oman free trade agreement as a vote for taxpayers.**

Onward,

Grover Norquist

Cc: All Members, U.S. House of Representatives